

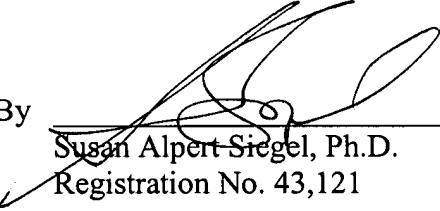
**Remarks**

These remarks are submitted in response to the final Office action, dated November 18, 2004. Applicants respectfully disagree with all of the rejections of the pending claims set forth in the final Office action. It is the Applicants' intent further to pursue all of the pending claims in continuing applications.

Respectfully submitted,

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